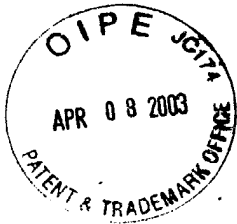


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Hans SIGRIST et al.

Group Art Unit: 1634

Serial No.: 09/606,040

Examiner: Arun K. Chakrabarti

Filed: June 29, 2000

For: PROCESS FOR THE MODIFICATION OF SURFACES

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND  
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified application. The shortened statutory period having expired January 8, 2003, it is hereby requested that the period for response be extended for a second and third month. There is also attached our Check No. 16430 in the amount of \$820.00 in payment for:

- ☐ Extension fee for response within first month pursuant to §1.136(a) (\$110.00) [\$55.00].
- ☐ Extension fee for response within second month pursuant to §1.136(a) (\$410.00) [\$205.00].
- ☒ Extension fee for response within third month pursuant to §1.136(a) (\$930.00) [\$465.00]. (One-month extension of time already having been paid for.)

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 16-0331. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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April 8, 2003  
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